

2004 EQIP Local Ranking Criteria Elkhart County, IN

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Are livestock, livestock manures, or manure storage involved in this application?	Y	N	Y= 30 pts.
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Has a manure spill occurred at this site?	Y	N	Y= 20 pts.
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Based on the Elkhart County Soil Survey, which of the following best represents 50% or more of the cropland acres being offered for contract?

A - Less than 3% slopes _____ 10 pts.

B - 3-5% slopes	50 pts.
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C - Greater than 5% slopes	90 pts.
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Does the area have greater than 25% wind erosion soils with an "I" value of 134 or greater?	Y	N	Y= 40 pts.
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Based on the Elkhart County Soil Survey, do more than 50% of the cropland soils have a "High" leaching potential for nutrients/pesticides?	Y	N	Y= 40 pts.
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Does the current livestock operation include a storage system with less than 180 days of storage?	Y	N	Y= 40 pts.
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Livestock operations: Using current (less than 4 years old) soil test data, are the average Phosphorous (P1) test levels on any of the fields being offered -

A - Less than 100 ppm (200 lbs/ac) _____ 10 pts.

B - Greater than 100 ppm _____ 30 pts.

C - No soil test available	50 pts.
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Grain Operations: Using current (less than 4 years old) soil test data, are the average Phosphorous (P1) levels on any of the fields being offered -

A - 0-50 ppm _____ 10 pts.

B - 51-100 ppm 20 pts.

C - 101+ ppm	35 pts.
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D - No soil test available _____ 50 pts.

Do livestock have direct access to any waterbodies?

Y

N

Y= 40 pts.

Is the acreage being offered located -

A - Within 1/4 mile of a waterbody

B - Within 1/2 mile of a waterbody

C - Further than 1/2 mile from a waterbody

_____ 100 pts.

_____ 60 pts

_____ 20 pts

Total

Definition: Waterbody = Any permanent or intermittent stream that is designated by a solid or broken blue line on the USGS topographic quadrangle map or any pond, lake, or wetland (natural or man-made).

*** In the case of a tie, those applications located in these watersheds, listed here in order of most environmentally sensitive, will be given priority.

1. Yellow Creek WS

2. Baugo Creek WS

3. Rock Run Creek WS

4. All other WS's except Solomon, Dry Run and Whetten Ditch

5. Solomon, Dry Run and Whetten Ditch WS